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## State Flood Update as of 12 noon, Oct. 22

**CAMP MURRAY** -- As rivers recede and rainfall slacks off, the State Emergency Operations Center is turning its attention to assessment and recovery activities. The State Emergency Operations Center (EOC) continues to remain at full activation in support of the flood fighting efforts of local jurisdictions.

A recovery task force of key state and federal agencies met this morning to prepare strategy and plans for recovery operations. The State Emergency Management Division is working closely with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) in damage assessment to individuals and households.

The following jurisdictions declared states of emergency: the counties of Clallam, Kitsap, Jefferson, Mason, Skagit, Snohomish, and Whatcom plus the cities of Concrete, Shelton and Mount Vernon.

The American Red Cross reports that over 400 people were sheltered at 10 Red Cross shelters in Skagit County last evening. Currently, five of these shelters remain open. Three shelters in Snohomish County closed today. King County has one shelter remaining open, and Kitsap County housed six residents at a local motel.

Numerous state and local roads are closed or partially closed in many counties. The most current state highway information can be found at the Washington Department of Transportation website at <http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/>. Information about local road conditions can be obtained from local emergency management offices.

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